

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete, marked-up listing of revised claims with a status identifier in parenthesis, underlined text indicating insertions, and strike through and/or double-bracketed text indicating deletions.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A Method method of storage storing and transmission of transmitting information generated by a first security module connected to a user unit, ~~this~~ the first security module comprising includes a unique identifier and specific information representative of its functioning, ~~this~~ the first security module being able to be replaced by a second security module, ~~this~~ the method comprising ~~the following steps:~~

- ~~determination of~~ determining the specific information contained in the first security module intended for transmission,
- ~~transfer of~~ this transferring the specific information [[in]] into the user unit,
- ~~storage of~~ this storing the specific information in the user unit,
- ~~replacement of~~ replacing the first security module by the second security module,
- ~~connection connecting~~ of the user unit on a transmission network,
- ~~initialization of~~ initializing a transfer of information between the second security module and a management center, and
- ~~insertion by~~ inserting the user unit, of a data block in the blocks transmitted by the second security module, ~~this~~ the data block comprising includes the identifier of the first security module and the data specific to said the first security module.

2. (Currently Amended) The method Method of storage storing and transmission transmitting according to claim 1, wherein the transfer of the specific information of the first security module is carried out at regular interval.
3. (Currently Amended) The method Method of storage storing and transmission transmitting according to claim 1, wherein the transfer of the specific information of the first security module is carried out each time the said information is modified.
4. (Currently Amended) The method Method of storing storage and transmitting transmission according to claim 1, wherein the transfer of the specific information is stopped after the replacement of the first security module by the second security module.
5. (Currently Amended) The method Method of storing storage and transmitting transmission according to claim 4, wherein the transfer of the specific information is authorized as soon as a successful connection with the management center has been carried out.
6. (Currently Amended) The method Method of storing storage and transmitting transmission according to claim 4, wherein the transfer of the specific information is authorized by a command sent by the management center.
7. (Currently Amended) The method Method of storing storage and transmitting transmission according to claim 2, wherein the transfer of the specific information is

stopped after the replacement of the first security module by the second security module.

8. (Currently Amended) The method Method of storage storing and transmitting transmission according to claim 3, wherein the transfer of the specific information is stopped after the replacement of the first security module by the second security module.